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SENATE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE ENGROSSED NO. SB151 - 2/8/99

Introduced by: Senators Everist, Brosz, Brown (Arnold), Dennert, Dunn (Jim), Duxbury, Flowers, and Hutmacher and Representatives Broderick, Duniphan, Kazmerzak, and Koetzle

- 1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to revise certain provisions regarding the prices for
- 2 residential and business local exchange service that may be charged by certain
- 3 telecommunications companies.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:
- 5 Section 1. That § 49-31-86 be amended to read as follows:
- 6 49-31-86. Prices as of January 1, 1998, for residential and business local exchange service,
- both recurring and nonrecurring, for a telecommunications company with more than two hundred
- 8 thousand retail access lines in the state may not be changed unless reduced by the company. If
- 9 the telecommunications company reduces its prices for residential or business local exchange
- service pursuant to §§ 49-31-1 through to 49-31-89, inclusive, it shall may not subsequently
- increase such prices. <u>However</u>, this restriction does not apply to promotions that last ninety days
- 12 <u>or less.</u> The provisions of § 49-31-4 and §§ 49-31-12 to 49-31-12.5, inclusive, do not apply to
- prices for services regulated by this section.
- 14 Section 2. No telecommunications company may offer any promotion exempt from the
- provisions of § 49-31-86 more than twice in any calendar year. No telecommunications company

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1 may run any such promotions consecutively. No benefit from a promotion may be extended to

- 2 any customer beyond the promotion period.
- 3 Section 3. The exemption for promotions provided by section 1 of this Act is not effective
- 4 until December 31, 2000, in the local exchange area of any facilities-based competitive local
- 5 exchange carrier certified by the commission after July 31, 1998, that provides broadband
- 6 network services throughout its local exchange area.

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1 **BILL HISTORY**

- 2 1/26/99 First read in Senate and referred to State Affairs. S.J. 197
- 3 2/5/99 Scheduled for Committee hearing on this date.
- 4 2/5/99 State Affairs Do Pass Amended, Passed, AYES 8, NAYS 0. S.J. 348